

# DEATH RATE FOR DROWNING

## Objective

By 1990, the death rate from drowning should be reduced to no more than 1.5 per 100,000 persons.

## Explanatory Notes

Comprised of ICD codes E830, 832 and 910 of the Eighth and Ninth revisions.

## Findings

The North Carolina drowning rate continues to be higher than the national rate; however, substantial progress has been made, with a 58 percent reduction since 1970. Data are not available for the U.S. for 1988-1990, although projections indicate that the U.S. will not reach this objective.

## Related National Year 2000 Objectives

- o Reduce drowning deaths to no more than 1.3 per 100,000 people.
- o Reduce drowning deaths among children aged four and younger to no more than 2.3 per 100,000 people.
- o Reduce drowning deaths among men aged 15-34 to no more than 2.5 per 100,000 people.
- o Reduce drowning deaths among black males to no more than 3.6 per 100,000 people.

## Data Sources

North Carolina: State Center for Health and Environmental Statistics  
United States: National Center for Health Statistics